UCKFIELD TOWN COUNCIL



Minutes of the meeting of the **Environment and Leisure Committee** held in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre on Monday 21st August 2017 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT:

Cllr. M. Dean (Chairman)

Cllr. D. French

Cllr. D. Ward

Cllr. K. Everett

Cllr. D. Bennett

Cllr. S. Mayhew

Cllr H. Firth

IN ATTENDANCE:

Cllrs. P. Meakin and P. Sparks 2 Press (1 recorded the meeting) 1 Member of the public

Christine Wheatley – Assistant Town Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer Minutes taken by Christine Wheatley

1.0. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members and officers were reminded to make any declarations of personal and/or prejudicial interests that they may have in relation to items on the agenda, but none were forthcoming.

2.0. STATEMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON MATTERS ON THE AGENDA AT THE CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION None.

3.0. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. I. Smith

4.0. MINUTES

4.1. <u>Minutes of the meeting of the Environment and Leisure Committee held on the 10th July 2017</u>

EL 74.08.17 It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Environment and Leisure Committee held on the 10th July 2017 be taken as read, confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

4.2. Action list

Members considered the action list which had been previously circulated and agreed to remove the following items which had either been completed or appeared elsewhere on the agenda: -

EL51.01.17 Hempstead Meadows Local Natures Reserve Footpath No 41.

EL66.05.17 Speed Indicator Device

EL68.05.17 Allotment Conference

EL73.07.17 Road Safety

4.3. <u>Project Monitoring List – For information only</u> Noted.

5.0. FINANCE

5.1. To note bills paid

Members noted the bills paid.

5.2. <u>Income and Expenditure Financial Forecast</u>

Members noted the Financial Forecast.

5.3. Fees & Charges

Members noted a previously circulated report regarding fees and charges.

EL 75.08.17 Following further discussion it was **RESOLVED** to increase all 2018/2019 fees and charges by 1.5%.

6.0. ADMINISTRATION

6.1. Articles of Association of College Place Residents Limited relating to Old Timbers
Lane

Members discussed a previously circulated report which confirmed that a Management Company had been established in accordance with an Agreement between the Town Council and the developer of the old convent site in relation to the future maintenance of Old Timbers Lane.

EL 76.08.17 Members noted the report and RESOLVED to approve the Articles of Association of College Place Residents Limited in accordance with the provisions of clause 4.3. of the Agreement dated 14th November 2014.

Clarification is also to be sought regarding the two way road system.

7.0. ENVIRONMENT

7.1. <u>Uckfield Millennium Green boundary with Ridgewood Recreation Ground</u>
Members discussed a previously circulated report from the Millennium Green
Trust regarding an unathorised access from Ridgewood Recreation Ground into the Millennium Green.

EL 77.08.17 Following further discussion it was **RESOLVED** to: -

- a) to enter into a Licence agreement between Uckfield Town Council and the Uckfield Millennium Green Trust regarding the unauthorised access from Ridgewood Recreation Ground to the Uckfield Millennium Green, and provide a gate and adjacent fencing to the Trusts specification:
- b) a wooden kiss gate being the preferred option;
- c) to obtain quotes for re-instating the existing boundary fence for consideration at the 2018/2019 budget meeting.

7.2. <u>Lewes Road Twinning Sign</u>

Members discussed a previously circulated report regarding the positioning of the twinning sign in Lewes Road.

EL 78.08.17 Following further discussion it was **RESOLVED** that the twinning sign to be installed at location 'C'.

7.3. <u>To consider undertaking a Dog Fouling Campaign</u>

Members considered a previously circulated report on the possibility of undertaking a Dog Fouling Campaign.

EL 79.08.17 Following further discussion it was **RESOLVED** to proceed with a low-cost Dog Fouling Campaign.

8.0. LEISURE

8.1. <u>Hughes Way Play Area Update</u>

Members noted the update report on the Hughes Way Play area.

9.0. REPORTS FROM WORKING GROUPS AND TO AGREE TERMS OF REFERENCE

9.1. Ridgewood Recreation Ground

Nothing to report.

9.2. Road Safety

Members noted the report.

9.3. Speed Indication Device

Members noted the report.

10.0. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

10.1. Uckfield Railway Line Parishes

Noted.

10.2. Informal Wealden Line Steering Group

Nothing to report.

10.3. West Park LNR and Hempstead Meadows LNR – Supporters Group

Nothing to report.

10.4. Uckfield and District Twinning

Nothing to report.

10.5. Age Concern

Nothing to report.

10.6. <u>Luxford Centre Management Committee</u>

Nothing to report.

10.7. Uck Valley Flood Forum

Nothing to report.

10.8. Active Uckfield Group

Members noted the report.

10.9. Wealden Bus Alliance

Nothing to report.

10.10 Millennium Green Trust

Nothing to report.

11.0 CHAIRMANS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nothing to report.

The meeting finished at 7.26pm.